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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiroshi YOSHIMURA et al.

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A FLAT DISPLAY UNIT AND METHOD FABRICATING SAME For:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement at page 2 of the Action, applicants elect Group I, claims 1-7, 12, and 13 drawn to a flat display unit, without prejudice.

Further, responsive to the Election of Species Requirement at page 3 of the Action, applicants elect Specie B(I), claim 5 drawn to a display accordingly to Fig. 5E.

Applicants list claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 12, and 13 as readable on the Specie of Fig. 5E and which claims are acknowledged to be generic to the Species A, B and C.

In view of the conceded presence of generic claims, applicants are maintaining all pending claims in light of the possible entitlement to reconsideration of claims drawn to additional species, upon the allowance of a generic claim.

Respectfully submitted,

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